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SUBJECT: SSOD: THURSDAY AFTERNOON PLENARY MAY 25
SPEECHES BY REPRESENTATIVES OF SRI LANKA, DENMARK
ON BEHALF OF EC-9 AND IRELAND

1. SRI LANKA. SRI LANKA FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. A. C. SHAHUL HAMEED, NOTED UNSWERVING COMMITMENT TO DISARMAMENT ON PART OF NON-ALIGNED SINCE BANDUNG CONFERENCE OF 1956. HE APPEALED TO ALL STATES NOT TO ALLOW DIFFERENCES ON OTHER ISSUES TO CLOUD THEIR JUDGMENT ON PROGRESS TOWARDS DISARMAMENT, SAYING NON-ALIGNED WERE NOT HERE TO CRITICIZE ANY STATE OR GROUP. RATHER, HE STRESSED THAT GOAL OF DISARMAMENT WAS NOT A NEW GOAL FOR THE WORLD COMMUNITY, BUT THAT IT HAD ASSUMED A NEW DIMENSION SINCE 1945 WITH DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT SSOD WOULD BE A TURNING POINT, CONTRIBUTING TO REALISTIC MEASURES. HE SAID INCREASE IN CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS AND INDIGENOUS PRODUC-
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TION IN ALL PARTS OF WORLD HAS LED TO INSTABILITY AND THREAT OF ARMED CONFRONTATION. NEW ELEMENT OF SSOD WAS ITS UNIVERSALITY. NEGOTIATIONS BY A FEW STATES HAD RESULTED IN LITTLE PROGRESS, OR, WHEN PROGRESS MADE, TO LACK OF UNIVERSALITY. SSOD GIVES GOVERNMENTS OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE COMMITMENT TO NEW APPROACH TO PROBLEM.

SRI LANKA DELEGATE STRESSED HIS GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TO INDIAN OCEAN ZONE OF PEACE AND TO AFFIRMATION OF CORRELATION BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT. FINAL DOCUMENT, HE SAID, SHOULD ACHIEVE TANGIBLE AND PRACTICAL RESULTS. HE OUTLINED FAMILIAR NON-ALIGNED CONCERNS IN DECLARATION, PROGRAM OF ACTION AND MACHINERY SECTIONS, STRESSING DANGER OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, NEED FOR SECURITY ASSURANCES BY NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES, LINK BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT, NEED FOR CONSENSUS, NEED TO STRENGTHEN UN/CCD LINK, AND DESIRABILITY OF SETTING UP NEW WORLD DISARMAMENT AUTHORITY IN UN CONTEXT TO COLLECT INFORMATION, CONDUCT STUDIES, MONITOR IMPLEMENTATION OF DISARMAMENT MEASURES, DEVELOP REALISTIC PROPOSALS, PROVIDE INFORMATION TO STATES AND NGO'S ON PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATIONS AND EVENTUALLY TO CONTROL PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF NEEDED ARMS AND FORCES FOR KEEPING THE PEACE. IN CONCLUSION, HE SUGGESTED DESIGNATING 1980 AS WORLD DISARMAMENT YEAR AND MAY 23 ANNUALLY AS WORLD DISARMAMENT DAY.

2. DENMARK. SPEAKING ALSO FOR EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, MRS. LISE OSTERGAARD, MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO IN THE DANISH GOVERNMENT, SAID SHE WAS SPEAKING FOR A EUROPE TWICE RAVAGED BY WAR, A EUROPE SEEKING TO MOVE AWAY FROM RIVALRIES TO CONCILIATION. EC-9 HAS ADOPTED UNCLASSIFIED

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POLICY OF SEEKING NEW TIES AND LINKS TO OTHER AREAS OF WORLD IN PEACEFUL RELATIONSHIP. EC-9 SOUGHT A CONSENSUS DOCUMENT IN SSOD TO STIMULATE FURTHER PROGRESS IN DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS. IN DECLARATION, SHE STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF LINK BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND SECURITY, PRINCIPLE OF BALANCED REDUCTIONS AND IMPORTANCE OF VERIFICATION. IN PROGRAM OF ACTION, CONCRETE, REALISTIC MEASURES SHOULD BE OUTLINED FOR NEXT FEW YEARS, INCLUDING: QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS ON NUCLEAR ARMS, HALTING SPREAD OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND GUARANTEEING ACCESS TO PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY TO ALL STATES, REDUCING THE WORLDWIDE BUILDUP OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS, INCREASING DISARMAMENT-RELATED RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTING CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES, AND FURTHER USE OF TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES, INCLUDING SATELLITES, IN VERIFICATION OF AGREEMENTS. IN MACHINERY, SHE SAW EMERGING VIEW ON IMPORTANCE OF TWO TYPES OF ORGANS: (1) NEGOTIATING FORUM OF LIMITED MEMBERSHIP OPERATING ON CONSENSUS, AND (2) DELIBERATIVE ORGAN OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS. A SECOND SSOD SHOULD BE CONVENED AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME. EC-9 SAW CLOSE INTERRELATION BETWEEN DISARMAMENT, WORLD SECURITY AND DETENTE AS AN

ALTERNATIVE TO ARMS RACE, WHICH WOULD GO HAND IN HAND
WITH A REDUCTION OF TENSION AND INJUSTICE IN THE WORLD.

TURNING TO HER OWN COUNTRY'S VIEWS SHE SAID
DENMARK CONSIDERED THE OVER-CONSUMPTION OF RESOURCES
BY THE ARMS RACE WAS "ABSURD AND SCANDALOUS." SHE SAID

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DENMARK REALIZED WE COULD NOT CHANGE HISTORY BUT
INSISTED WE MUST INFLUENCE THE FUTURE. DENMARK
IS COMMITTED TO NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER AND
COSROOSORS SORDIC PROPOSAL FOR DISARMAMENT/DEVELOPMENT
STUDY. THEY ARE COMMITTED TO NON-PROLIFERATION, BUT
REALIZE SUCCESS IN THIS SOAL PRESUPPOSES ASREEMENT
ON PART OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES TO LIMIT THEIR OWN
ARSENALS. DENMARK FURTHER BELIEVES SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH
MUST BE DEVOTED TO ENVIROOMENTALLY ACCEPTABBE, PEACEFUL
PURPOSES, THAT COMVENTIONAL WEAPONS TRANSFERS MUST 8E
CONTROLLED, AND TTAT INNHUMAAE AAD WEAPONS CAUSINS
INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS MUST BE BANNED. FINALLY, SHE
STRESSED THAT THE ROAD TO DISARMAMENT PASSES THROUGH
DETENTE, AND MEMBER STATES MUST TRANSLATE THEIR COMM00
INTERESTS EXRRESSED AT THE SSOD INTO CNONCRETE ACTION:

3. IRELAND. PRIME MINISTER OF IRELAND, JOHN M. LYNCH,
SPOKE PROUDLY AS LEADER OF SMALL NATION WHICH PARTICI-

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FORCES NECESSARY FOR ITS INTERNAL SECURITY AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING. HE CRITICIZED LARGE SUMS SPENT FOR MILITARY PURPOSES ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY ARE SPENT IN POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS COMPETITION, WITH "INTENSE SOPHISTICATION," AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH "THEORIES ABOUT THEIR USE AND DEPLOYMENT WHICH MAKE A VIRTUE OF UNCERTAINTY." HE SAID, "THE INCREASED SECURITY WHICH THEY SEEK IS ILLUSORY BECAUSE THE EFFORT TO ADD TO THE SECURITY OF EACH ADDS INSTEAD TO THE INSECURITY OF ALL."

NOTING THAT THE SSOD IS "NOT NECESSARILY A SUITABLE FORUM FOR DETAILED NEGOTIATIONS" HE SAID IT CAN MOBILIZE WORLD PUBLIC OPINION, PUT PRESSURE ON NEGOTIATIONS AND ESTABLISH AN ORDER OF PRIORITIES. IT SHOULD PLAN WHAT FIRST STEPS WE MIGHT TAKE. HE SAID IT IS NOT EASY TO SEE, FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE THIRD WORLD, OR A NON-NUCLEAR POWER, "WHY THE SECURITY NEEDS OF THE POPULATION OF THE GREAT POWERS SHOULD BE SO MUCH MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT OF OUR OWN PEOPLE. CERTAINLY IT IS HARD TO SEE HOW THOSE NEEDS CAN CONTINUE TO JUSTIFY MEASURES WHICH COULD DESTROY HUMANITY."

IN A CONCLUDING LIST OF SPECIFIC STEPS, PM LYNCH CALLED FOR (1) CONCLUSION OF A CTB AND, PENDING COMPLETION, A MORATORIUM ON ALL NUCLEAR TESTING; (2) HALT TO THE QUALITATIVE DEVELOPMENT AND REFINEMENT OF NEW NUCLEAR WEAPONS; (3) GUARANTEES TO ASSURE THOSE STATES WHICH HAVE RENOUNCED NUCLEAR WEAPONS THAT THEY WILL NOT BE ATTACKED OR THREATENED BY NUCLEAR WEAPONS; (4) ASSURANCE FROM THE NUCLEAR POWERS THAT THE BENEFITS OF THE PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON A WIDE AND
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GENEROUS SCALE; (5) STRICT SAFEGUARDS ON THE TRANSFER OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL AND SENSITIVE TECHNOLOGY; (6) A TREATY TO ELIMINATE ALL CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND A VOLUNTARY MORATORIUM ON DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION OF SUCH WEAPONS; (7) AN END TO FURTHER PRODUCTION OF NAPALM, INCENDIARIES, AND OTHER WEAPONS WITH EXCESSIVELY INJURIOUS, CRUEL, AND INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS; (8) REGULATION AND LIMITATION OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS

AND NEGOTIATIONS BY THE MAJOR POWERS AIMED AT PROGRESSIVE
REDUCTION OF THEIR ARMS GRANTS AND SALES; (9) FURTHER
STUDY OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOP-
MENT; AND (10) STUDIES TO WORK OUT "A SYSTEM OF INCENTIVES
AND TARGETS TO ENCOURAGE PROGRESS IN ARMS CONTROL AND
DISARMAMENT." HE CLOSED WITH A PLEA FOR CONSENSUS
DECISION MAKING REGARDING ADOPTION OF THE DECLARATION
AND PROGRAM OF ACTION. YOUNG

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